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JACOBSON, Max  
aka JACOBSOHN, Max

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Subject first came to the attention of the writer in the Henry JORDAN case who, in his application for an OWI position, listed JACOBSON as a reference. You may recall that JORDAN is the individual who has written several articles for ARGOSY which reveal considerable knowledge of CIA and the Sobls case. As recently as last November he attacked PRISBECK in another article published in ARGOSY.

Research on JACOBSON crossed with your interest in this individual who is the doctor who gratuitously had treated a number of OO/Contact personnel in New York City.

JACOESON's clientele of prominent people rules out his need for building up a practice and his association with known Soviet espionage agents and members of the Communist Party adds greater significance to his interest in CIA employees.

Research on JACOESON has developed the following information and derogatory associations, which is given more or less chronologically.

3 July 1905 Born at Fordon, West Prussia (Poland)

1925

Received his medical degree from the University of Berlin.

Married his first wife, Alice JACOBSON, in Prague, Czechoslovakia, on 7 June 1928, who was born in Prague on 26 November 1904; and from whom he is divorced.

Germany

Czech

1930

One Max JAKOBSON, an Austrian involved in the activities of the Comintern Western European Bureau, worked in Scandinavia and various other European countries during the 1930's. He is known to have been in Stockholm, Sweden, during early 1936. Though nothing more is known about this JAKOBSON, the possibility of his being Subject is not ruled out considering Subject's contacts with high level Comintern personalities which is dealt with later in this memorandum.

1930 to 1933

Known to have been in Germany presumably in medical practice.

1931

Son, Thomas, born in Berlin on 8 August 1931.

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The name of Irigard VON CUBE was found in the possession of Eugenia FORCHT, aka Genia NIKOLA in February of 1944. FORCHT, a White Russian, is known to have associated with individuals who were connected with the Free German activities in the Los Angeles area. Her politics and actions caused her to be regarded with suspicion by the FBI. FORCHT's name is contained in the address book of Vladimir Wolf POESNER, a long time member of the Communist Party and a suspected Soviet espionage agent, who is of current interest in the SOLLE case.

VON CUBE is the individual whom Mrs. Peter LORRE, wife of the screen actor, advised that Paul WILLERT had cooperated with KATZ at the time that KATZ collected money in 1939 in Hollywood and that WILLERT subsequently took the funds to France and then England for the express purpose of forwarding them to the Soviet Union. Mrs. LORRE claimed that she had a love affair with WILLERT who she said was working for the Comintern. It was WILLERT who obtained a job for Whittaker CHAMBERS at the Oxford University Press, New York City in 1936. A reliable SRS informant has identified WILLERT as one of Ignace REISS' agents in the late 1920's and early 1930's. Peter LORRE was an associate of KATZ in England in 1934 and received financial support from him while a refugee from Nazi Germany. Apparently Mrs. Peter LORRE's information was first-hand.

According to Ralph HUNBERG, whose name also is in the address book of POESNER, he had been in love with Eugenia FORCHT whom he said shared his political convictions. Otto KATZ in February 1943 was in correspondence with HUNBERG at 533 Spolito Drive, Santa Monica, California. This is the address at which KATZ lived with HUNBERG in 1935-1936. He, with his wife, was among the group of individuals who went on a cruise with KATZ in 1939.

Mrs. Andre VIGILLIS, a French journalist who was touring the United States in March and April 1945 in the company of seven other French journalists, telephonically was in contact with JACOBSON and had among her personal effects a business card of JACOBSON. VIGILLIS, a prominent French journalist for the French Communist paper, "Ce Soir", and a member of the French Communist Party, with her seven traveling companions, was honored by a reception arranged by Vladimir POESNER in Los Angeles. POESNER was assisted by the following members of the CPUSA: Dalton TRUNDO, Ring LARDNER, Jr., Fred RIVALDO, Miriam and George SMAR, Robert LEES, Herbert FINEMAN and Michael and Dorothy VAIS. On 15 February 1945 Hanson

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